

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (original): A temperature sensor, comprising:  
a comparator circuit having an output node and a variable current node,  
wherein the output node is a first voltage at a given temperature when a current at the variable current node is less than a threshold current, and a different second voltage at the given temperature when the current at the variable current node is more than the threshold current;

a variable resistance circuit including at least  $n$  resistors connected in series between the variable current node of the comparator and a reference voltage, where  $n$  is an integer of 4 or more, and wherein the  $n$  resistors have different resistance values;  
and

a switching circuit which selectively bypasses individual ones of the  $n$  resistors.

2. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 1, wherein one resistor among the  $n$  resistors has a lowest resistance value, and wherein the remaining resistors among the  $n$  resistors have resistance values which are multiples of the resistance value of the lowest resistance value.

3. (Currently Amended): The temperature sensor of claim 1, wherein one resistor  $R_1$  among the  $n$  resistors has a lowest resistance value  $x$ , and wherein the remaining resistors  $R_2, R_3, \dots, R_n$  among the  $n$  resistors have resistance values of  $x \cdot 2, x \cdot 4, \dots, x \cdot (2^{n-1})$ , respectively.

4. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 1, wherein the switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to an input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

5. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 2, wherein the switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to an input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

6. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 3, wherein the switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to an input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

7. (Currently Amended): A temperature sensor, comprising:  
a comparator circuit having an output node and a variable current node,  
wherein the output node is a first voltage at a given temperature when a current at the variable current node is less than a threshold current, and a different second voltage at the given temperature when the current at the variable current node is more than the threshold current;

first and second variable resistance circuits connected in series between the variable current node of the comparator and a supply voltage, wherein the first variable resistance circuit includes  $n$   $m$  resistors connected in series, where  $n$  is an integer of 4 or more and the  $n$   $m$  resistors have different resistance values from each other, and wherein the second variable resistance circuit includes  $m$   $n$  resistors connected in series, where  $m$  is an integer of 4 or more and the  $m$   $n$  resistors have different resistance values from each other;

a first switching circuit which selectively bypasses individual ones of the  $m$  resistors of the first variable resistance circuit; and

a second switching circuit which selectively bypasses individual ones of the  $n$  resistors of the second variable resistance circuit.

8. (Currently Amended): The temperature sensor of claim 7, wherein  $m$  equals  $n$ , and wherein resistance values of the  $m$  ~~transistors~~ resistors of the first variable resistance circuit are respectively the same as resistance values of the  $n$  ~~transistors~~ resistors of the second variable resistance circuit.

9. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 8, wherein one resistor among the  $n$  resistors has a lowest resistance value, and wherein the remaining resistors among the  $n$  resistors have resistance values which are multiples of the resistance value of the lowest resistance value.

10. (Currently Amended): The temperature sensor of claim 8, wherein one resistor  $R_1$  among the  $n$  resistors has a lowest resistance value  $x$ , and wherein the remaining resistors  $R_2, R_3, \dots, R_{n-1}$  ~~resistors~~ among the  $n$  resistors have resistance values of  $x \cdot 2, x \cdot 4, \dots, x \cdot (2^{n-1})$ .

11. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 7, wherein the first switching circuit comprises at least  $m$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $m$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $m$  transistors are responsive to a first input test signal to selectively bypass the  $m$  resistors, respectively, and wherein the second switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to a second input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

12. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 8, wherein the first switching circuit comprises at least  $m$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $m$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $m$  transistors are responsive to a first input test signal to selectively bypass the  $m$  resistors, respectively, and wherein the second switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to a second input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

13. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 9, wherein the first switching circuit comprises at least  $m$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $m$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $m$  transistors are responsive to a first input test signal to selectively bypass the  $m$  resistors, respectively, and wherein the second switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to a second input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

14. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 10, wherein the first switching circuit comprises at least  $m$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $m$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $m$  transistors are responsive to a first input test signal to selectively bypass the  $m$  resistors, respectively, and wherein the second switching circuit comprises at least  $n$  transistors connected across respective ones of the  $n$  resistors, wherein gate terminals of the  $n$  transistors are responsive to a second input test signal to selectively bypass the  $n$  resistors, respectively.

15. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 11, further comprising a trimming circuit connect in parallel to the first variable resistance circuit, wherein the trimming circuit includes a second set of  $m$  transistors connected across the  $m$  resistors of the first variable resistance circuit, respectively, and  $m$  latch circuits which selectively latch the gates of the second set of  $m$  transistors to a high voltage.

16. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 12, further comprising a trimming circuit connect in parallel to the first variable resistance circuit, wherein the trimming circuit includes a second set of  $m$  transistors connected across the  $m$  resistors of the first variable resistance circuit, respectively, and  $m$  latch circuits which selectively latch the gates of the second set of  $m$  transistors to a high voltage.

17. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 13, further comprising a trimming circuit connect in parallel to the first variable resistance circuit, wherein the trimming circuit includes a second set of  $m$  transistors connected across the  $m$  resistors of the first variable resistance circuit, respectively, and  $m$  latch circuits which selectively latch the gates of the second set of  $m$  transistors to a high voltage.

18. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 14, further comprising a trimming circuit connect in parallel to the first variable resistance circuit, wherein the trimming circuit includes a second set of  $m$  transistors connected across the  $m$  resistors of the first variable resistance circuit, respectively, and  $m$  latch circuits which selectively latch the gates of the second set of  $m$  transistors to a high voltage.

19. (Previously Presented): The temperature sensor of claim 7, further comprising a third variable resistance circuit connected in series with the first and second variable resistance circuits, wherein the third variable resistance circuit includes  $p$  resistors connected in series, where  $p$  is an integer of 4 or more and the  $p$  resistors have different resistance values from each other, and  $p$  fuses respectively connected across the  $p$  resistors.

20. (Currently Amended): The temperature sensor of claim 19, wherein  $p$  equals  $m$  equals  $n$ , and wherein resistance values of the  $p$  ~~transistors~~ resistors of the third variable resistance circuit are respectively the same as resistance values of the  $m$

~~transistors~~ resistors of the first variable resistance circuit and the n ~~transistors~~ resistors of the second variable resistance circuit.

21. (original): A temperature sensor, comprising:  
a comparator circuit having an output node and a variable current node,  
wherein the output node is a first voltage at a given temperature when a current at the variable current node is less than a threshold current, and a different second voltage at the given temperature when the current at the variable current node is more than the threshold current;  
a variable resistance circuit including a plurality of resistors connected in series; and  
a trimming circuit which selectively electrically connects or disconnects individual ones of the resistors of variable resistance circuit to the variable current node.

22. (original): The temperature sensor of claim 21, wherein the trimming circuit includes a plurality of fuses respectively corresponding to the plurality of resistors.

23. (Currently Amended): The temperature sensor of claim 21, wherein one resistor R1 among the plurality of resistors has a lowest resistance value x, and wherein the remaining resistors R2, R3, ... , Rn ~~resistors~~ among the plurality of resistors have resistance values of  $x \cdot 2$ ,  $x \cdot 4$ , ... ,  $x \cdot (2n-1)$ , respectively.

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